Evergreen PTA Meeting

The Evergreen P. T. A. held its regular monthly meeting at the school on Tuesday, December 16, at 7:30 o'clock.

The business meeting was held first. There was a report from the lunch room committee, by Mrs. Clara Garrette.

The P. T. A. is furnishing the school this year with some new Christmas tree decorations, including a new set of tree lights.

At the end of the program, the patrons gave a short Christmas entertainment which was enjoyed by all.

The next meeting will be held in January, 1950.

Mrs. Julian White,
Reporter.

Spout Spring G A Class

The Spout Spring G. A. Class of the Baptist Church held its regular meeting on Sunday, December 18, after Sunday School, with 9 members present.

After singing Carols, the girls were awarded arm bands for working, on Forward Steps.

Those receiving the arm bands were Misses Violet Martin, Cecelia Puckett, Isabell Coleman, Joyce Mayberry and Barbara Perdieu.

Miss Phyllis Morriss was awarded a Star.

—Mrs. D. P. Moon,
Counsellor.

New drive for housing is foreseen in next Congress.

Democrats plan to rally the grassroots for 1950 elections.

Christmas Carols

Christmas carols express better than anything else, probably, the true spirit of Christmas.

The word "carol" itself signifies joy and was originally used to accompany a dance. William Wallace Fyfe concludes that the term carol "signifies a song of joy or exultation." Another definition states: "A carol is a hymn of praise especially such as is sung at Christmas in the open air."

In England, which gave America most of its carols, they were sometimes gay and sometimes convivial until the time of the Puritans, who tried to suppress the Christmas spirit.

After the Restoration, the religious nature of the day was for a time almost forgotten in the reaction from Puritanism, and the carol was temporarily lost in the songs.

There are many quaint customs associated with the early carolers that might be used today to break the monotony of going from house to house singing Christmas hymns.

It was about the 16th century that caroling became a Christmas custom, and is supposed to have been brought to England from Italy by the traveling clergy. The first real Christmas carol is attributed to St. Francis of Assisi who made a model of the Bethlehem manger to help him tell his people the Christmas story.

The idea of caroling fitted admirably into the English conception of Christmas as a combination of religious celebration and a great home day with neighborly feeling, so it grew and flourished in that country.

Little bands and groups of singers which sprang up in the towns and villages came to be known as "Waits." A natural explanation of the name seems to be that it refers to watching and waiting, for Christmas Eve is called the Vigil of Christmas.

As early as December 21, which is the day dedicated to St. Thomas, mummers and carolers would begin going from door to door, announcing the great feast at hand. It was natural for the householders to offer hospitality to these Christmas troubadours, and gradually in many places the custom of giving alms and presents of various kinds was established.

This benign custom threatened at one time in England to become a profession and to lose its original simple charm.

For a period beginning just when no one knows and ending in 1820, there were in London and Westminster companies of "Waits" whose leaders held office by public appointment and who obtained an exclusive right to solicit contributions from the public.

The carolers were often accompanied by entertainers who gave a spirit of revelry to the occasions. The mummers often interrupted the singing to give their interpretation of "St. George and the Dragon." Tumblers, dressed in bright red, would perform their acts of skill to entertain the onlookers.

GARDEN WEEK DATE FOR 1950 ANNOUNCED

Historic Garden Week in Virginia will be observed April 22-29, according to announcement from the Garden Club of Virginia headquarters. Mrs. Robert T. Barti., Jr. will be chairman of the Garden Week.

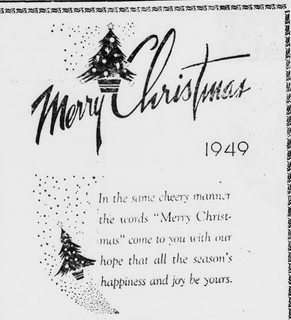
During the week privately owned estates, shrines, old churches and a few modern homes and gardens are open to visitors from all over the United States and from across the sea as well. Thirty thousand persons from 43 states and three foreign countries visited Virginia during Garden Week last spring.

Santa Claus in person was in Appomattox last Saturday.

Egg prices decline at wholesale level.

France puts in bid for aircraft carrier.

Phone 30 with Personals.


Merry Christmas
1949
In the same cheery manner the words "Merry Christmas" come to you with our hope that all the season's happiness and joy be yours.

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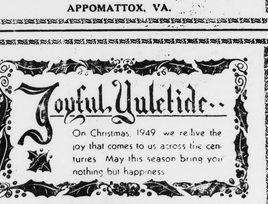
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Rocks

Rocks, Dec. 19.- Christmas is almost here. And may each of you not forget its meaning.

Mr. and Mrs. Rhoney Wilson went to Lynchburg last Sunday to see Mrs. Wilsons and Miss Odelle Ransone who are patients in the hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Ransom and family called to see Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ransom awhile last Saturday night.

Mr. L. L. Jennings and Mr. and Mrs. Neighbors went to Lynchburg Wednesday to get the latter's husband, who has been in the hospital since Thanksgiving day.

Claude Leffel made a business trip to Lynchburg Wednesday.

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A. T. Anderson was at Appomattox Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Elder went to Lynchburg one day last week.

Rev. Tearle Brown preached a fine sermon at Rocks Sunday morning.

The Christmas play will be given at Rocks Church on Friday night, December 23 and Sunday night, December 25. All are invited to this.

May each of you have a Merry Christmas and a bright and happy New Year.

Evergreen

Evergreen, Dec. 20.- Miss Blannie Evans was in Lynchburg last Tuesday shopping.

Mrs. Mary Sullivan and Mrs. Nell Calloway spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gibson and sons, Charlie and Billie, of Washington, D. C., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Warriner.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hodge and Harold Hitcher and Miss Doris Evans and father spent last Sunday with his wife at Catawba.

Miss Jean Calloway and Mr. Neal Calloway spent Sunday with Misses Eulalia and Elnors Glover.

Sgt. and Mrs. David Garrett, of Mass., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Warriner.

Mr. and Mrs. John Farrar and son, Johnnie were in Lynchburg last week shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard St. John and son, Bobby visited Mrs. Carl Womack and family and Mr. and Mrs. Julian White and family Sunday.

James Cheatham is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. E. Cheatham.

Mrs. W. L. Womack, of Darlington Heights visited her sister, Mrs. Julian White Monday night.

Miss Majorie Womack called to see Misses Eulalia and Elnors Glover Monday night.

W. S. Glover, of Creek spent a few days last week with his sister, Mrs. J. C. Staples.

CORRECTION

In last week's issue of the Times-Virginian an error was made in our printing of the Evergreen news letter. The item: "Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Garrett are the happy parents of a baby girl" should have read: "Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Grisham are the happy parents of a baby girl." We regret this error and are glad to make this correction. -The Editor.

Movies, Comics Compete Strongly With U.S. Schools

TALLAHASSEE, FLA. — As long as the movies, comic books and music continue as they are, American children aren't going to get a good education.

That's the considered opinion of President Paul Wagner of Rollins college. Turn on the radio, turn on a phonograph, flash a wild-and-woolly western movie on the screen, and get a leather-lunged boy to shout "Comic books for sale!" President Wagner said, and it all adds up to a wild assault on the eyes and ears. And that, he asserts, is what teachers must compete with in trying to instill knowledge by use of nothing but textbooks. It was all unfair, he added.

President Wagner gave examples. A hundred years ago, he said, the student had nothing to occupate with demands of his studies. The college head opened an old McGuffey's reader, lit a candle and proceeded to show how studying was done in the old days.

Then he held up a comic book. A character was asking a victim how he'd like to get a bullet in his midsection, although the anatomical target wasn't defined in such delicate terms. Then President Wagner turned on the radio. A mystery thriller was in progress. Next he held up a movie poster showing a female in scanty clothing.

President Wagner called words in textbooks "inadequate." He said American schools are too lax in teaching the "meaning behind words."

Pope says Jubilee Mass before throng of 20,000.

CORN YIELD RESULTS

At least 694 farms in Virginia produced 100 bushels of corn per acre this year—with a Warren County farmer topping the State with 179 bushels, P. H. DeHart, Extension agronomist at V. P. I. announces.

The 694 figure is based on reports from 78 of the 94 counties participating in the 100-bushel corn club program.

The average yield on 2,099 farms checked in the 78 counties was over 91 bushels per acre.

A total of 4,796 farmers took part in the program this year, compared to about 1,200 last year. Yield the lot on 700 farms in 1948 showed an average of 89 bushels per acre.

Both parties may back repeal of some excise taxes.

Observers foresee continued high sales level for 1950.

State is asked to establish police school.

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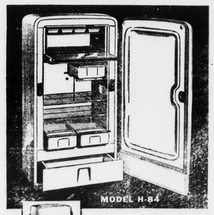

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